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Application No.:	10/807733
Filed:	March 24, 2004
For:	Balloon Expandable Stent with a Self-Expanding Portion
Examiner:	Suzette Jaime Gherbi
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Respectfully submitted,  
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REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY AND  
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I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney given in the above identified application.

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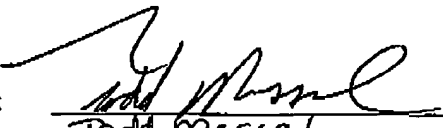
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I am the:

- ☐ Applicant/Inventor
- ☒ Assignee of record of the entire interest. (See 37 CFR 3.71)  
*Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 5, 2006

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ASSIGNEE'S STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP 37 CFR 3.73(B)

Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc., a corporation is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of:

A. ☐ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. A photocopy of the Assignment is enclosed. The original Assignment is being mailed to Assignment Branch for recording.

OR

B. ☒ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned is empowered to sign this statement of ownership certificate on behalf of the assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

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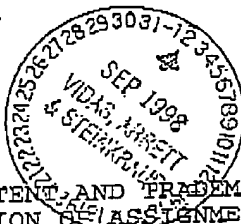
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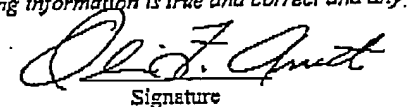
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## UTILITY/DESIGN PATENT

Docket No. S63.2-6927

## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I(we), Anthony C. Vrba residing at 12266 - 88th Place North, Maple Grove, MN 55369 have invented and own the entire United States right, title and interest in an invention for

## BALLOON EXPANDABLE STENT WITH A SELF-EXPANDING PORTION

disclosed in my application for United States Letter Patent filed

- ☐ concurrently herewith  
☐ on \_\_\_\_\_ and assigned Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_; and

I hereby authorize and request any attorney of Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus, P.A., Suite 2000, 6109 Blue Circle Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55343-9131, to insert the filing date and application number of said application above when known.

WHEREAS, SciMed Life Systems, Inc. ("Assignee"), a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having its principal place of business at One SCIMED Place, Maple Grove, MN 55311, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, to said application for any and all countries, to any and all Letters Patent, and to any and all Design Letters Patent of any and all countries which may be granted thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, I(we) hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Assignee, its successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, legal and equitable, in and to said invention, to said application for any and all countries, to any and all Letters Patent, and to any and all Design Letters Patent of any and all countries which may be granted thereon; and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue all Letters Patent and all Design Letters Patent which may be granted to said invention to Assignee.

Dated: 5/29/18 First Inventor's Signature:  
First Inventor's Name:

Anthony C. Vrba  
Anthony C. Vrba

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ARTICLES OF MERGER OF  
BOSTON SCIENTIFIC SCIMED, INC.  
WITH AND INTO  
SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC.

Pursuant to Minnesota Business Corporation Act, Section 302A, the undersigned, Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc., a Minnesota corporation ("BSS"), and Scimed Life Systems, Inc., a Minnesota corporation ("Scimed Life"), hereby adopt the following Articles of Merger for the purpose of merging BSS with and into Scimed Life, with Scimed Life being the surviving corporation.

1. The Agreement and Plan of Merger between BSS and Scimed Life dated as of December 15, 2004 (the "Merger Agreement"), as required by Minnesota Business Corporation Act, Section 302A.615, subdivision 1, is attached hereto as Exhibit I.

2. The Board of Directors and sole shareholder of BSS approved the Merger Agreement in a joint written action dated as of December 15, 2004 pursuant to Minnesota Business Corporation Act, Section 302A.613.

3. The Board of Directors and all of the shareholders of Scimed Life approved the Merger Agreement in a joint written action dated as of December 15, 2004 pursuant to Minnesota Business Corporation Act, Section 302A.613.

4. The name of the surviving corporation shall be Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc.

5. The merger shall be effective upon the later of 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2005 or the filing of these Articles of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, BSS and Scimed Life have caused these Articles of Merger to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized this 22 day of December, 2004.

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC SCIMED, INC.

SCIMED LIFE SYSTEMS, INC.

By: 

Paul A. LaViolette  
Chief Executive Officer and President

By: 

Paul W. Sandman  
Chief Executive Officer

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